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TEN DEAD AT HERMAN

Twenty-Five Injured, Five of Whom Will Die.

PROMPT MEASURES FOR RELIEF.

Needed Supplies Are Rushed to the Stricken Town From All Directions. Four Dwellings, School House and One Church All That Remains.

HERMAN, Neb., June 15.—Herman is a picture of desolation after Tuesday night's tornado and cloudburst. Ten dead and 25 injured are in the morgues and hospitals. The splintered ruins of homes, furniture, broken trees and dead animals presents a sickening and desolate spectacle. Three mangled bodies lie in the Methodist church. Most all of the dwellings and business houses without exception are totally destroyed. A bureau of relief has been opened in the school house, which is a quarter of a mile from town, and which miraculously escaped destruction. Wagon loads of provisions are coming in from surrounding towns and the authorities are receiving aid from over the state. The dead:

MR. AND MRS. A. H. HOPKINS. ANDERSON HOPKINS, their son. MRS. KILSO of Pender. LOUIS CLAWSON of Missouri Valley. W. S. RICHARDS, postmaster. J. E. HAWKINS, lived in country. CHILD of S. M. DAVIS. THOMAS HINES of Blair. EARL PETERSEN.

Seriously wounded: Ella Hopkins, face, body and head. William Anderson, hurt about head. Mrs. William Anderson, head and body. Ed Locket, head cut. Caney West, hurt about head. Mrs. E. G. Bonneau, head. Mrs. John K. Lingenbeard, head and face.

Con Rankin, leg cut, body bruised. Earl Piper, head and arms. Fred Christiansen, head. Gus Pegau, head. Grandma Niesler. Mother Hawkins, both arms crushed. Mrs. J. E. Hawkins, ribs broken. Miss Hawkins, back hurt. Mr. Lenock, probably fatal. Peter Lemig, arm broken, lives in country.

Fred Hurrell of Spiker, head cut. Oliver Lowe, head bruised. H. H. Herzog, head and arms cut. Carrie Kelso, aged 7, head cut. George Bullington, face cut and body bruised.

Five of the injured will die. The property loss aggregates \$150,000, only six buildings being left intact in the town—four dwellings, one school house and one church. One hundred structures were totally wrecked and all their contents destroyed and blown all over the surrounding country.

Cloudburst in Texas. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 15.—A cloudburst occurred in the mountains north of Spofford Junction about midnight. The immense volume of water rushed down the mountain side, sweeping everything before it and converting dry arroyos and small creeks and rivers into raging torrents and completely flooding the valley and level country below. At the sheep ranch of M. L. Butler every living thing was swept away and the entire Butler family, consisting of father, mother and two children, are reported to have perished. Henry Carver, on the cattle ranch lower down, was drowned.

The Southern Pacific track was washed away in a half dozen places and three large bridges were completely destroyed. The water is flowing four feet deep over the track in many places. There are many rumors of loss of life below the railroad. It is certain that there has been great damage to cattle and sheep ranches along the streams that are now so swollen.

Trees Twisted Out by Their Roots. CARSON, Ia., June 15.—A cyclone struck about three miles north of this place late Tuesday night. Beginning at the A. B. Perkins farm, it blew off part of the roof of the barn, blew down several trees and, taking a northeast course, struck the farm of John Thropp, totally destroying two large barns and a large grove near the house. Trees a foot through were twisted out by the roots. Several head of hogs were killed and some cattle injured. The house stands alone and was but little injured. The family went to a cave and escaped injury.

Day of Funerals at New Richmond. NEW RICHMOND, Wis., June 15.—Thirty-two new graves were made yesterday in the two little cemeteries at opposite sides of the town, a constant train of funerals threading a passage through the littered streets all day long. Two of the injured died yesterday. Ten bodies still remain unidentified. Four bodies were found yesterday, those of Mrs. Kate Hawkins, Willie Hughes, John Prior and Henry Larsen.

Drouth Broken in Southern Nebraska. STANFORD, Neb., June 15.—There have been heavy rains from St. Francis, Kan., to Orleans, Neb., the drouth being broken in time to save spring grain and making corn prospects splendid. Heavy hail broke all the windows in the Catholic and Methodist churches and residences on the west side of buildings in Orleans.

Fifth Victim of Salix Cyclone. SIOUX CITY, Ia., June 15.—Another victim of the tornado near Salix, Ia., was added to the list yesterday. Thomas Malloy dying at the hospital here of shock to his nervous system. This makes the fifth victim, all in the Malloy family.

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

Convention's Strength Is Divided Among a Dozen Candidates For Judgeship. HARRISBURG, Pa., June 15.—Four hundred and thirty-five representatives of the Democracy of Pennsylvania met here yesterday for the purpose of naming candidates for supreme court judge, superior court judge and state treasurer.

Shortly after midnight the convention adjourned until today without having accomplished the first and most important piece of work cut out for them, namely, the selection of a candidate for supreme judge. Nearly six hours were consumed in the preliminary work of the convention, and between 6 o'clock and midnight, with an hour's intermission for supper, the delegates cast 11 fruitless ballots for a score or more of candidates for that office, the deadlock at midnight apparently being as firm as it was at 6 o'clock. When adjournment was had there were 11 candidates in the field, with votes ranging from 13 to 72, the highest being a long way off from the 218 necessary to elect. The determined battle arises from the fact that the nominee is sure to be elected to serve 20 years. The fight appears to have narrowed down to Judge Kennedy of Allegheny and Judge Yorkes of Bucks, although the western friends of Judge Krebs of Clearfield refuse to concede the defeat of their candidate. Ex-Congressman Wolverton, who was considered a strong candidate, lost steadily in the last few ballots, as did also Judges Bechtel, Allen and Albright. The platform adopted reaffirms the Chicago platform and eulogizes Mr. Bryan's leadership, but contends that the campaign shall be confined to a fight against alleged Republican misrule and Quayism.

It Was Henderson Day. WATERLOO, Ia., June 15.—This was Congressman Henderson's day at the Grand Army encampment of the department of Iowa. The old soldiers and the citizens gave the coming speaker of the 56th congress an enthusiastic reception when he arrived from Dubuque. Colonel Henderson was accompanied by 500 of his fellow citizens. Among them were 200 Democrats, who came to endorse the prospective advancement of their townsman.

Last night Colonel Henderson spoke at three big campfires, held in different parts of the city, and at each place the scenes of the afternoon were repeated. After the campfires he held a public reception in the parlors of the Irving. The following officers were elected: Commander, C. F. Bailey, Iroquois; senior vice commander, P. H. Lenon, Guthrie Center; junior vice commander, Wm. Gooding, Farmington; medical director, Dr. McCoy, Algona; chaplain, Rev. W. W. Gist, Osage.

Rush at Land Office. O'NEILL, Neb., June 15.—The rush still continues at the United States land office for reservoir filing. Up to last night 1,496 entries had been made. Western Nebraska will soon be covered with water.

Dewey Sails For Ceylon. SINGAPORE, June 15.—Admiral Dewey sailed today for Colombo, Ceylon. He will probably visit the hills of Ceylon for the benefit of his health.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS. The first street railway in Seoul, capital of Corea, is nearing completion. The Spanish senate Wednesday adopted the bill ceding the Caroline islands, Ladrone and Pelew islands, to Germany.

The statue of Benjamin Franklin, presented to the city of Philadelphia by Justus Strawbridge, was unveiled Wednesday. Manufacturers of wheels for vehicles met at Chicago Wednesday and decided to make a general advance of about 15 per cent in prices on all wheels. Mill furnishers and flouring mill builders from cities throughout the west held a secret meeting in Chicago Wednesday to consider an advance in prices.

Justice Beach in the New York supreme court has denied the application of Roland B. Molinoux for writs of habeas corpus, certiorari and prohibition. Hereafter no corporation chartered under the laws of New Jersey for the purpose of doing business in Texas, will be granted a permit to do business in that state. Several guards and about a dozen prisoners at the Ohio penitentiary were taken seriously ill Wednesday from the effects of ptomaine poisoning, caused by drinking milk. The navy department has directed the sale of six vessels which were purchased for the use of the navy just before the outbreak of the late war and are now found to be of no further service.

The American flag association held its annual meeting in New York Wednesday. The annual report of President Prime showed that 19 states had laws on their statute books forbidding the desecration of the flag. The Baltimore and Ohio railroad Wednesday announced a cut of \$3 in summer tourist rates over their lines between Chicago and Pittsburgh. It is probable that this action will result in a demoralization of rates. The first of a number of cases against Pittsburgh butchers for alleged violation of the pure food law in adulterating meat to prevent decomposition, was tried Wednesday. The defendant, S. H. Reed, was found guilty. Major General Anderson, commanding the department of the lakes, was mustered out of the volunteer service Wednesday and assumed the rank of brigadier general, which he held before the opening of the war with Spain.

At a mass convention held at Yazoo City Miss., Tuesday, Hon. John Sharp Williams made formal announcement of his candidacy for the long term in the United States senate. His entrance complicates the senatorial race between Governor McLaughlin and "Private" John Allen.

BACCOOR IS BATTERED.

Buildings Badly Shattered by Shells From Warships.

NEXT BATTLE PROBABLY AT IMUS.

Lawton's Forces Now Control Several More Miles of Coast From Cavite—General Otis Reports Severe Fighting. American Loss 10 Killed, 40 Wounded.

MANILA, June 15.—The Filipinos retreated several miles southward after Tuesday's engagement to the strongly fortified town of Imus. The shelling of the American warships drove the rebels from Bacoor, so the Americans control several more miles of coast. General Lawton, with his staff and a troop of the Fourth cavalry, started to ascertain the nature of the insurgents' position. He rode five miles along the coast to Bacoor without discovering the enemy. He found the town full of white flags, but there were no soldiers there. The women and children, who had fled to the woods during the bombardment, were camping in the ruins of their homes. The shells had almost knocked the town to pieces. The big church was wrecked and many buildings were ruined. Even the trees and shrubbery were torn as by a hailstorm.

Several hundred women and children came into the American lines for refuge and the road from Bacoor was covered all day long with processions of them on foot and in carts, driving animals and carrying goods on their heads. The appearance of the battlefield testified to the fierceness of the fighting. The trees along the river, between the lines, are almost torn down by bullets. The American officers estimate that 100 insurgents were killed and that 300 were wounded during the engagement. The next battle will probably be fought at Imus. The American troops will soon control the coast to Cavite.

Otis Reports Severe Fighting. WASHINGTON, June 15.—The following was received at the war department: MANILA, June 14.—Adjutant General, Washington: Lawton's troops under Wheaton and Owenshine occupied country south of Bacoor, have scouted westward and some distance southward on the line of the Zapote river and Bacoor road; enemy appears to have retired on Imus, abandoning the bay country. The fighting yesterday was severe. Our loss was 10 killed and 40 wounded, the majority at the crossing of Zapote river. The enemy was driven from heavy and well constructed intrenchments, to which they held tenaciously. Their loss was several hundred, of whom 50 were buried this morning. Will not probably make any determined future stand in southern provinces. OTIS.

AGREEMENT ON BOUNDARY. Long Series of Conferences Over Alaska Bring Results at Last. LONDON, June 15.—The United States ambassador here, Joseph H. Choate, has just received from the foreign office a communication on the Alaska question, which it is understood is a satisfactory temporary arrangement of the affair. The officials of the foreign office, while unwilling to discuss the details, assure the Associated Press that the Alaska difficulties are practically smoothed over until the meeting of the high commission in August.

Poincare Meets With Rebuff. PARIS, June 15.—M. Poincare is continuing his efforts to form a cabinet, but meets with numerous difficulties. He has been especially desirous of having MM. Bourgeois, Krantz and Delcasse in the ministry. M. Bourgeois declines to abandon his mission at The Hague. M. Delcasse declines to take anything but the foreign office portfolio, and M. Krantz raises difficulties concerning the Dreyfus trial, pointing out that he has discussed the matter with M. Casimir-Perier.

Concessions by Transvaal. BRUSSELS, June 15.—Dr. Leyds, the representative in Europe of the Transvaal republic, received yesterday the following conciliatory dispatch from Pretoria: "The government does not make arbitration a condition of concessions. It will continue to make concessions, even as regards the franchise, independently of Great Britain's acceptance or non-acceptance of arbitration."

Cubans Ask to Be Let In. SANTIAGO, June 15.—The independence is publishing a number of signed articles from prominent Cubans advocating annexation to the United States. In its editorials it disclaims any approval of such a policy. The articles are causing a vigorous discussion. El Porvenir bitterly antagonizes the American occupation.

Meeting of Arbitrators. PARIS, June 15.—A preliminary and informal meeting of counsel engaged in the Venezuelan arbitration took place at the ministry of foreign affairs yesterday. The meeting of the Venezuelan commission will be held in the apartment placed at the disposal of the Spanish-American Peace commission.

STUBBLEFIELD ON TRIAL.

Some Damaging Testimony Against the Accused Train Robber. SEDALIA, Mo., June 15.—The trial of Eli Stubblefield, on the charge of holding up and attempting to rob a Missouri Pacific train near Sedalia the night of Nov. 29 last, was begun here yesterday. A number of informers were on the stand and the testimony adduced did much to prejudice Stubblefield's case.

L. D. Hopkins, superintendent of the Missouri Pacific, testified that he had been informed in advance of the proposed robbery by E. H. Adams, a former Missouri Pacific engineer, and that Adams told him who the robbers were. Robert R. Cunningham, who, it is alleged, was one of the conspirators to rob the train, testified that he had been asked by West and Stubblefield to participate in the robbery, but that he never had any intention of joining them, although he had led them to believe he would.

E. H. Adams, the ex-engineer, testified that the plans for robbing the train were arranged in his office. Witness said he drove Stubblefield and West to the scene of the hold-up and agreed to wait for them until after the robbery, but, instead, he drove home. The money from the robbery, he said, was to be divided next day in his office, witness being promised a portion of the haul.

Macedonia Lies In Six Fathoms. NEW YORK, June 15.—The steamer Rescue of the Merritt & Chapman Wrecking company arrived in quarantine yesterday, having on board Captain Kuffahl, six of the crew and Charles W. Moss and Herman Brandt, two passengers of the steamer Macedonia of the Ward line, which was sunk by the steamer Hamilton of the Old Dominion line Tuesday night. The remainder of the crew and one passenger, F. W. Wright, landed at Long Branch. After the Hamilton became cleared from the Macedonia and seeing the ship still afloat, Captain Kuffahl returned to it and endeavored to beach it, but it suddenly took a lurch and sunk in six fathoms of water.

Rain Fell In Torrents. PERRIA, Ia., June 15.—Rain fell in torrents for over an hour last evening. Bridges on county roads are either damaged or washed away. There is a small washout near Persia on the Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Paul railway.

Preparing For Dreyfus Trial. PARIS, June 15.—M. Viguie has gone to Rennes, where the new court martial will sit, to arrange for the necessary precautions during the Dreyfus trial. A large force of police and detectives will be sent there.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES. Captain Alfred Dreyfus will disembark at Brest.

Governor Pingree says he will not retire from politics. Earl Hanchette, Los Angeles, Cal., killed his wife and attempted suicide by shooting.

It is now expected that the peace conference will not adjourn before the middle of July. Single tax for Michigan cities escaped enactment by the Michigan legislature by only one vote.

Des Moines and Fort Dodge Railroad company has declared a dividend of 7 per cent, payable Aug. 1. Frederick S. Perkins, the well known archaeologist, died at his home in Burlington, Wis., Wednesday.

The Maryland Democratic state central committee decided to hold the state convention in Baltimore, August 2. Over 30 persons were poisoned by eating ice cream at a social given by the Ladies' Aid society at Delton, Mich.

Lewis Patrick, a negro, was taken from the jail at Beaufort, N. C., Wednesday by a mob and is believed to be lynched.

Mrs. Woodford, wife of General Stewart L. Woodford, former United States minister to Spain, died Wednesday in Brooklyn.

President and Mrs. McKinley enjoyed a brief outing on the Potomac river Wednesday, going in the naval dispatch boat Sybil.

The Miners' bank at Creede, Colo., and banks at Hooper and Monte Vista, of which President Mahon of the Creede bank is also the head, closed Wednesday.

The Dutch government has sent President Kruger a remonstrance respecting the disastrous consequences that are likely to follow persistence in his present policy.

Jack Moffatt of Chicago was given the decision over Charles Johnson of Minneapolis in a 6-round contest at the Adelphi Athletic club, Chicago, Wednesday night.

John D. Rockefeller and party, after a two days' stay in Tacoma, left for Alaska late Wednesday on the steamer Cottage City. There were 275 passengers in all, every berth being taken.

President McKinley has granted a pardon to John Washington and Simmons Wolf, two Seminole Indians convicted in Kansas in 1886 of criminal assault and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Edward Gray, a negro, who was arrested in St. John parish, La., about a year ago, charged with a series of burglaries, was lynched Wednesday, after having been released by the authorities because there was no evidence against him.

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